

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
ABILENE DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
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Plaintiff,                 ) Civ. No. 1:17-cv-00087-BL  
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v.                            )  
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ALON USA, LP,              )  
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Defendant.                 )  
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**STATUS REPORT – September 28, 2017**

As directed by the Electronic Status Report Order dated August 29, 2017 (Docket Entry No. 8), Plaintiff reports on the current status of this case:

- 1) Plaintiff has commenced and concluded the public comment solicitation contemplated for this case;
- 2) Since the lodging of the Consent Decree, an issue has arisen between Plaintiff and Defendant concerning the Decree; the parties have discussed the issue several times by telephone; in hopes of resolving this issue, they also have scheduled a face-to-face meeting during the first week of October; and
- 3) Absent any other direction, Plaintiff will report again to the Court no later than Friday, October 27, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on September 28, 2017, a copy of the foregoing Status Report was filed electronically with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system and therefore was electronically sent to the registered participants identified on the Notice of Electronic Filing.

*s/ Thomas A. Mariani, Jr.*  
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